E AND R AMENDMENTS TO LB 43

Introduced by Enrollment and Review Committee: McGill, 26, Chairperson

- 1. Strike the original section and all amendments thereto
- 2 and insert the following section:
- 3 Section 1. For purposes of this section, the definitions
- 4 in section 39-1302 apply.
- 5 The Department of Roads shall issue permits which
- 6 authorize and regulate the mowing and harvesting of hay on the
- 7 right-of-way of highways of the state highway system. The applicant
- 8 for a permit shall be informed in writing and shall sign a release
- 9 acknowledging (1) that he or she will assume all risk and liability
- 10 for hay quality and for any accidents and damages that may occur as
- 11 a result of the work and (2) that the State of Nebraska assumes no
- 12 liability for the hay quality or for work done by the permittee.
- 13 The owner or the owner's assignee of land abutting the right-of-way
- 14 shall have priority to receive a permit for such land under this
- 15 section until July 30 of each year. Applicants who are not owners
- 16 of abutting land shall be limited to a permit for five miles of
- 17 right-of-way per year. The department shall allow mowing and hay
- 18 harvesting on or after July 15 of every other year unless having
- 19 was completed the year prior due to drought or other declaration.
- 20 The department shall charge a permit fee in an amount calculated to
- 21 defray the costs of administering this section. All fees received
- 22 under this section shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for
- 23 credit to the Highway Cash Fund. The department shall adopt and

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1 promulgate rules and regulations to carry out this section.